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**TRUE
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ALL RIGHT, COSTAIN,
PUT THAT NITRO DOWN!
YOUR **ARSON** DAYS
ARE OVER!

YOU AREN'T TAKING ME,
COPPER! EITHER YOU
OPEN A PATH FOR ME
OR I'LL BLOW **ALL** OF
US **FROM HERE TO
ETERNITY!**

**HAYES
OIL
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WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT PIMPLES

Acne, Blackheads, and other externally caused Skin Blemishes

WHEN pimply skin is your problem, the first thing to get straight is that you *can* and *should* do something about it. To develop the attractiveness of your face is not mere vanity. It is an "open sesame" towards bringing the real YOU closer to other people and giving your personality the poise and confidence it needs. Your good qualities—intelligence, character, dignity—all go to naught... are completely cancelled out by a skin that "nobody loves to touch." Remember, the YOU that people see first is your face.

SKIN PROBLEMS

DEMAND IMMEDIATE CARE

Medical statistics tell us that blemished skin usually occurs from adolescence on through adult life. The problem at the adolescent stage is serious enough to deserve attentive care as a family matter. In adulthood, when life's responsibilities are so much weightier, it is doubly important to exert great effort to eliminate these blemishes. And, there is no better time to get pimples under control than *now*.

DON'T ABUSE SKIN

The first instinctive reaction to pimples and blackheads is to squeeze them out with your fingers. A bit of experimentation along these lines soon provides convincing proof that this succeeds only in inflaming your skin and spreading the infection. Under no circumstances should pimples and blackheads ever be squeezed.



MICROSCOPE SHOWS IMPORTANT BASIS FOR EXTERNALLY CAUSED PIMPLES AND BLACKHEADS

Let's take a look through the microscope to see what's behind those unsightly pimples. The high-powered lenses show your skin coated with a covering which originated from two sources—one, internally and the other, externally.

The internal substances on your skin include dead cells, residue from the sweat glands, and a high quantity of oil excreted by the sebaceous glands. A most important factor in skin disorders occurs when thousands of these tiny sebaceous glands discharge more oil than the skin can use for lubrication. Unless special care is given, the oil forms a heavy film which attracts foreign matter to your skin much as any oil mop picks up dust. These infectious external substances may be classified into three general groups:

1. Airborne materials such as dust, pollens, condensation products of smoke, vapors, etc.
2. Materials brought in contact with the skin, such as tiny fragments of clothing, bedding, cosmetics.
3. Micro-organisms such as bacteria and fungi.

See the difference between a healthy skin and a pimply skin in the microscopic reproductions below.



A.

Normal skin



B.

Sick, pimply skin

Diagram A shows a normal-size, smoothly functioning sebaceous gland. Diagram B pictures sick, pimply skin. Notice that the sebaceous gland is a swollen mass of trapped oil, waste and infectious bacteria.

TRY THIS SENSIBLE WAY

Two sensible aims to achieve in controlling this skin condition are: to clear the pores of clogging matter, and to inhibit the excessive oiliness of the skin. Toward these ends, Dornol Products' research makes available two formulas. One is to aid in thorough cleansing by highly detergent penetration which simplifies the removal of waste and foreign matter. The other is to discourage oiliness with clinically-proved ingredients, and to kill infec-



tious bacteria often associated with externally caused pimples and blackheads.

BLEMISHES COVERED UP

To remove the distressing embarrassment of these skin blemishes, the second Dornol formula exerts a "cover-up" action on your broken out skin while the medication does its work. This, plus its pleasant odor, will spare you the mental distress which is associated with unsightly, malodorous, medicated preparations. Imagine! You can apply this Dornol formula to your skin by day and face the immediate present with greater confidence in your appearance, while secure in the knowledge that medication is acting to remove old blemishes and keep away new ones. What this "cover-up" action alone is worth in peace of mind is beyond calculation. No longer need prying eyes make you wince with humiliation and misery. Now because of this wonderful feature of the Dornol treatment, you can put your best foot forward... at once!

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OR

DOUBLE YOUR MONEY BACK

We know what the Dornol treatment has done for others, so we want you to try it at our risk. A few minutes a day invested in our treatment can yield more gratifying results than you ever dared hope for. This is what we say to you: If you are not delighted in every way by the improved condition and general appearance of your skin in just 10 days, simply return the unused portion and we will refund not only the price you paid—but **DOUBLE YOUR MONEY BACK!** Can anything be fairer than that? You have everything to gain... and we take all the risk!

How to get the Dornol Treatment immediately:

Just send your name and address to DORNOL PRODUCTS, Inc., Dept. 105, 363 Central Park Ave., Yonkers, N.Y. Be sure to print clearly. By return mail we will ship the Dornol treatment to you in a plain package. When postman delivers the package, pay only \$1.98 plus postage. Or, if you wish to save postal fee, send \$2 now and we will pay postage. Which ever way you order, the **DOUBLE REFUND GUARANTEE** still prevails. Don't delay another minute, send for the Dornol Medicated Skin treatment with "cover-up" feature... at once! Sorry, no Canadian C.O.D.'s.

"I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT IT WOULD END LIKE THIS, THAT YOU CAN'T CLIMB TO HAPPINESS OVER THE CORPSES AND BLASTED DREAMS OF OTHERS! BUT I WAS A COWARD, TOO WEAK AND FRIGHTENED TO STAND UP TO..."

The BUSINESS BUCCANEERS!



In consideration of innocent persons involved, all names in this true story are fictitious.

"MINE ISN'T A COMPLICATED STORY. JUST THE STORY OF A MAN WITHOUT COURAGE. A MAN WHO ALL HIS LIFE LEANED ON OTHERS. BUT THE BEGINNING WASN'T MY FAULT! THAT'S THE TRUTH!"

DAD? AN EMBEZZLER? IT--IT DOESN'T SEEM POSSIBLE! IT--MISTER BECKETT! LOOK OUT!

AH-H-H--



DEAD! HE'S DEAD! I'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE!



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"ANOTHER MAN WOULD HAVE CALLED THE POLICE! BUT OTHER MEN KNOW HOW TO ACT, HOW TO MAKE DECISIONS!"

DAD, I... I'VE GOT TO TALK TO YOU! SOMETHING HAS HAPPENED! I... I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO! I JUST CAME FROM BECKETT'S PLACE! I...

SO? IT'S A SMALL WORLD, EH, COSTAIN? WE DIDN'T EXPECT THAT, DID WE?

YOUR SON, EH? DON'T YOU THINK YOU SHOULD INTRODUCE US, COSTAIN?

YES... YES, OF COURSE! THIS IS MR. CRONIN! PHILIP CRONIN! AND ERNIE MORA!

HELLO, DAN! SO YOU'RE THE THIRD PART OF COSTAIN, BECKETT AND COSTAIN, EH?

HI!

HOW DO YOU... YOU! IT WAS YOU WHO SHOT BECKETT! I SAW YOU! YOU...

"THE WORDS BURST OUT BEFORE I COULD STOP THEM! I WAS TOO MIXED UP TO THINK BEFORE I SPOKE! BUT IF I COULDN'T THINK QUICKLY, CRONIN COULD!"

IF YOU'RE THINKING OF GOING FOR THE POLICE, DAN, DON'T!

DAD, WHAT... WHAT IS HE TALKING ABOUT? THAT... THAT MAN KILLED BECKETT! I... I WAS THERE!

I... I KNOW, DAN! I NEVER INTENDED YOU TO KNOW! BUT NOW... I HAVE NO CHOICE! I... I HIRED HIM TO DO IT!

BECKETT ASKED ME TO HIS PLACE AND TOLD ME THAT... YOU HAD EMBEZZLED COMPANY FUNDS! BUT YOU'RE NOT... NOT A MURDERER!

DAN, BECKETT WAS GOING TO EXPOSE ME! I'D HAVE GONE TO PRISON! WE'RE ALMOST BANKRUPT! THE OTHER OIL DELIVERY FIRMS ARE FORCING US OUT OF BUSINESS! I GAMBLLED TO RAISE CAPITAL...

AND... YOU LOST!

"ALL MY LIFE I HAD LEANED ON DAD! BECAUSE HE WAS STRONG AND I WAS WEAK! SUDDENLY, MY WHOLE WORLD WAS COLLAPSING! DOWN TO NOTHING!"

YOU LOST! AND NOW YOU... YOU'VE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR A MURDER! AND WE ARE STILL BANKRUPT! WHAT... A MESS!

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE BANKRUPT, COSTAIN! YOU SEE, WHEN YOUR FATHER HIRED...

ERNIE, HERE, I HEARD ABOUT IT! NATURALLY, ERNIE WORKS FOR ME, SO I HAVE A LITTLE PROPOSITION!

YOU SELL OIL! A NICE LEGITIMATE BUSINESS! AND I LIKE LEGITIMATE BUSINESSES! YOUR DAD TELLS ME TRYLON OIL IS YOUR BIGGEST COMPETITOR! SUPPOSE THEY COULDN'T DELIVER?

IF THEY COULDN'T... WE'D GET THEIR ACCOUNTS! WE'RE THE ONLY TWO OIL DELIVERY COMPANIES IN THIS DISTRICT! BUT WHY WOULDN'T THEY DELIVER?



THEY WOULDN'T IF SOMEONE SAW TO IT THAT THEY COULDN'T! HOW ABOUT IT, COSTAIN? I HAVE A LOT OF INTERESTS! THIS **COULD** BE PROFITABLE! AND ALL I WANT IS... HALF!

THAT'S A GOOD PROPOSITION, COSTAIN! THE BOSS AIN'T USUALLY SO GENEROUS! BESIDES, THERE ISN'T MUCH CHOICE, IS THERE?



"IT WAS A NIGHTMARE! A MAN WAS DEAD AND TO THEM IT WAS JUST BUSINESS! BUT I DIDN'T KNOW THEN ABOUT CRONIN'S FAR-FLUNG 'INTERESTS,' COLD AND RUTHLESS!

WHAT ERNIE MEANS IS... YOU'RE A MURDERER, COSTAIN, EVEN IF ONLY BY PROXY! AND YOUR SON HAS VERY CONVENIENTLY MADE HIMSELF AN ACCESSORY! SO?

DAN, WHY NOT? I CAN'T DO ANYTHING WORSE THAN I ALREADY HAVE! AND I'M AN OLD MAN! I CAN'T START ALL OVER AGAIN!

ALL RIGHT! I AGREE! CRONIN IS IN!



"CRONIN HAD US OVER A BARREL! WE COULDN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT! THE POLICE NEVER SUSPECTED THAT WE WERE INVOLVED IN GEORGE BECKETT'S DEATH!

CRONIN JUST CALLED! HE SAID THERE'S GOING TO BE AN ACCIDENT AT TRYLON OIL! TOMORROW AT THREE...

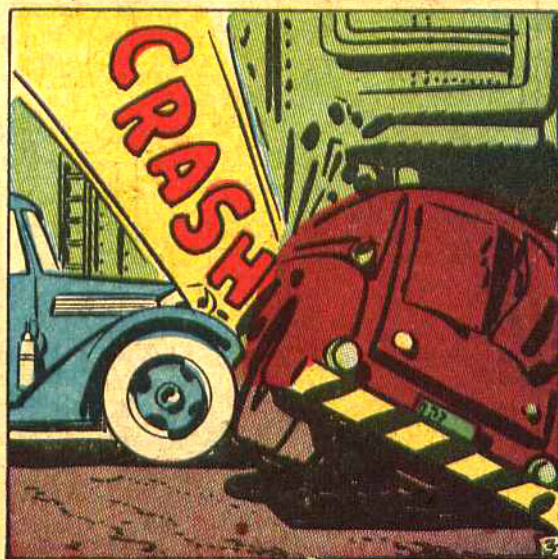
I... I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ABOUT IT!



"I DIDN'T WANT TO HEAR! BUT YOU DON'T BEHAVE NORMALLY IN A NIGHTMARE WORLD! I HAD TO SEE! I KNEW FRED TRYLON! SO I JUST DROPPED IN! I SAW!

ANYTHING NEW ON BECKETT'S DEATH, DAN?

NO, NOT YET! THE POLICE... FRED! THAT TRUCK COMING OUT OF THE GARAGE! IT'S MOVING TOO FAST! IT...

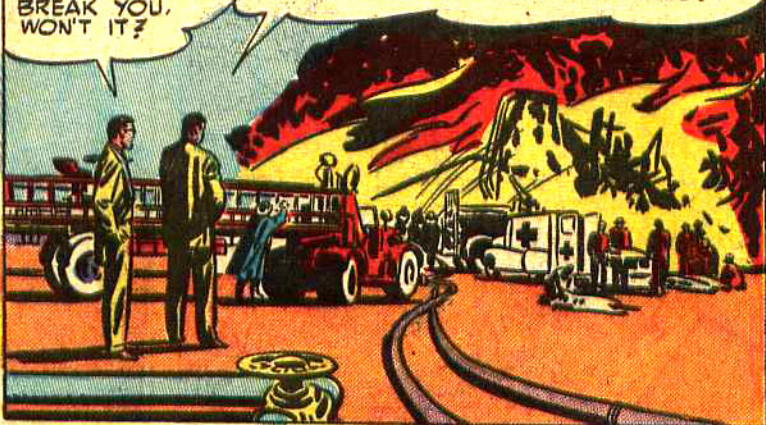




"TO THIS DAY I DON'T KNOW HOW CRONIN ARRANGED THAT 'ACCIDENT'!"

THREE TRUCKS AND YOUR TANKS! THIS... THIS WILL BREAK YOU, WON'T IT?

I'M... AFRAID SO! THE INSURANCE WILL ONLY COVER A FRACTION OF THE LOSS! BUT I DON'T CARE ABOUT THAT! THOSE MEN! THEY HAD WIVES... FAMILIES!



"I LEFT TRYLON! AND I WENT TO CRONIN'S OFFICE! DON'T ASK ME WHY! MAYBE BECAUSE I WAS SICKENED ENOUGH TO CURSE HIM! BUT IT WASN'T CRONIN I SAW!"

MR. CRONIN? WHY, NO, HE ISN'T IN! DID YOU HAVE AN APPOINTMENT?

NO, I... I JUST WANTED TO TALK TO HIM! I'M A BUSINESS ASSOCIATE OF HIS...



ER... I... I WAS GOING TO LUNCH, THOUGH, AND YOU SEEM TO BE GOING OUT, TOO! WHY NOT JOIN ME?

I WAS GOING TO LUNCH, BUT... OF COURSE! IF YOU KNOW MR. CRONIN IT WOULD BE QUITE PROPER, WOULDN'T IT?



"THAT WAS HOW I MET MEG HUNTER! WHEN I LEFT HER, WE HAD A DATE! AND I FELT BETTER!"

DAN! LOOK AT THESE! TRYLON CAN'T DELIVER! THE ORDERS ARE COMING IN BY THE DOZEN!

I HOPE THEY MAKE YOU HAPPY! EVEN IF YOU HAVE TO GET THEM OVER THE BODIES OF DEAD MEN!



"BUT HE WASN'T EVEN LISTENING! HE WAS BLIND! HE WANTED TO BE BLIND AND CRUEL! THE WAY HE WAS TO FRED TRYLON A FEW WEEKS LATER..."

THERE! I GUESS THAT MAKES YOU THE OWNER OF WHAT'S LEFT OF THE TRYLON OIL COMPANY, COSTAIN! IF I HAD TO SELL, AT LEAST I'M GLAD I SOLD TO A FRIEND!

I KNOW, FRED! BUT IT'S FOR THE BEST! ONLY I'M SORRY IT HAD TO HAPPEN THIS WAY! REALLY SORRY!



IS HE GONE? GOOD! NOT BAD, EH, COSTAIN? ONE MONTH AND YOU'VE BOUGHT OUT A COMPETITOR! NOW WE CAN START ON THE OTHERS!

THE OTHERS? YOU MEAN THIS IS TO GO ON? NO... FIVE MEN HAVE DIED ALREADY! YOU'VE GOT TO STOP! I'LL STOP YOU!



LEAVE HIM ALONE, ERNIE! YOU'LL STOP ME, DAN? HOW? BY GETTING SOMETHING ON ME? DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME! MEG DOESN'T REALLY KNOW ANYTHING!

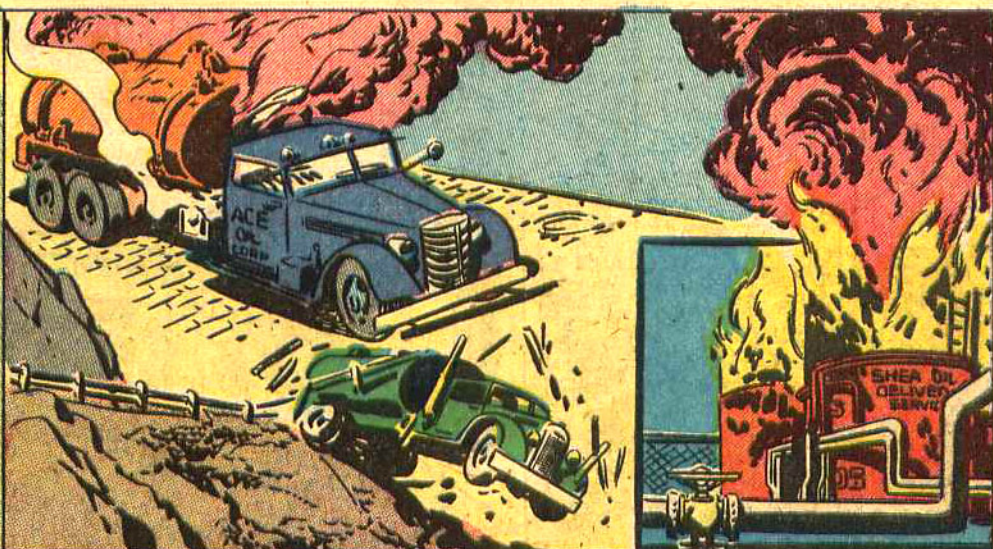
MEG? WHAT. WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?



IT'S NO SECRET THAT YOU'VE BEEN SEEING HER! QUITE A ROMANCE, TOO, FROM ALL I HEAR! BUT MY CONSTRUCTION BUSINESS IS MY FRONT, DAN! IT'S LEGITIMATE! AND SHE KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT MY OTHER... ENTERPRISES!



"HE THOUGHT I HAD BEEN SEEING MEG TO GET SOMETHING ON HIM! BUT I WASN'T! MEG WAS SWEET AND CLEAN AND... BUT HE WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND! I HELD MY TONGUE... AND IT WENT ON!"



"IN SIX MONTHS WE TOOK OVER A DOZEN FIRMS! AND I GREW SICK AND WEAK! I NEEDED LOVE AND STRENGTH AND UNDERSTANDING! THAT'S WHY I TURNED MORE AND MORE TO MEG!"

DAN! YOU'RE IN TROUBLE! WHAT IS IT? MAYBE I CAN HELP!

NO! NO ONE CAN HELP! NO ONE! OH, MEG, MEG!

"I CRIED! BUT I DIDN'T TELL HER WHY! AND SHE SOOTHED ME THE WAY A MOTHER SOOTHES A CHILD! I FELT ALMOST STRONG WHEN I LEFT HER... FOR A LITTLE WHILE, ANYWAY!"

DAN! I WASN'T EXPECTING YOU! IT'S SO LATE...

I KNOW, BUT.. MEG, LET ME COME IN! PLEASE! I... I NEED COMPANY!



YOU SENT FOR ME?

YES! WE'RE GOING TO TAKE OVER THE HAYES TANK FARM!



"DO YOU KNOW WHAT A TANK FARM IS? IT'S A STORAGE DEPOT, DOZENS OF TANKS, MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF GALLONS OF OIL!"

THE HAYES FARM! YOU'RE OUT OF YOUR MINDS! PUTTING LITTLE FELLOWS OUT OF BUSINESS IS ONE THING! BUT YOU CAN'T PUSH AN OUTFIT LIKE THAT AROUND!

RIGHT! THAT'S WHY THIS IS GOING TO BE LEGITIMATE! WE ARE GOING TO BUY THE HAYES PLANT! WE'VE GOTTEN RID OF THE LITTLE FELLOWS! NOW WE GO AFTER BIGGER GAME! WE SUPPLY PRACTICALLY ALL THE OIL THIS TOWN BUYS! BUT WE BUY FROM THE FARMS AT STIFF PRICES! I WANT THE FARMS! I'M SENDING YOUR FATHER TO MAKE THE OFFER!



"THERE WAS NO CHOICE EXCEPT TO FOLLOW HIS ORDERS! BUT THIS TIME, AT LEAST, THERE WAS NO THREAT OF BLOODSHED! AT LEAST... THAT WAS WHAT I THOUGHT AT FIRST!"

FRANKLY, COSTAIN, WE'RE WILLING TO SELL! YOU'RE OFFER IS TOO GENEROUS TO REFUSE! BUT SAWYER, HERE, OWNS FIFTY-ONE PERCENT OF HAYES, AND...

AND I HAVEN'T QUITE MADE UP MY MIND! LET ME THINK ABOUT IT FOR A DAY, COSTAIN!

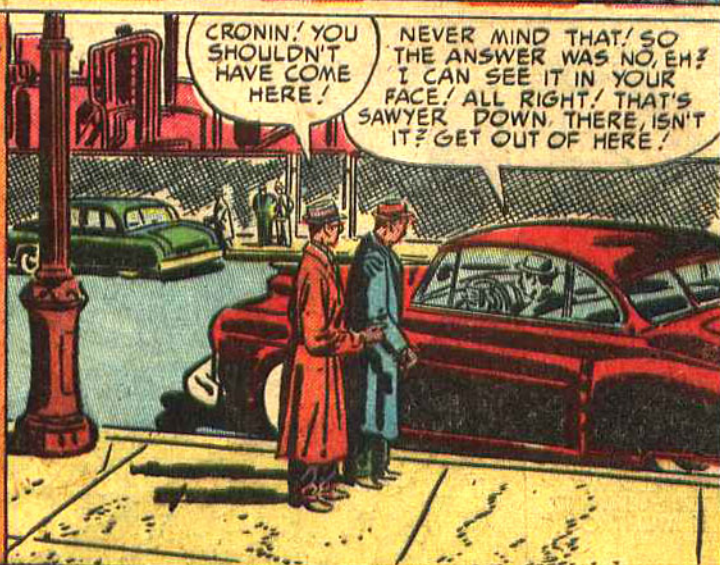


SO IT'S UP TO SAWYER, EH?

THAT'S RIGHT! THEY'RE HOLDING ANOTHER BOARD MEETING TOMORROW! WE'LL GET SAWYER'S ANSWER THEN!

I HOPE IT'S THE RIGHT ONE FOR HIS SAKE!

"BUT SAWYER'S ANSWER WASN'T THE RIGHT ONE! HE TOLD US THE NEXT DAY! AND I WAS GLAD! THIS TIME CRONIN HAD LOST! BUT I WAS GLAD TOO SOON!"



CRONIN! YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE COME HERE!

NEVER MIND THAT! SO THE ANSWER WAS NO, EH? I CAN SEE IT IN YOUR FACE! ALL RIGHT! THAT'S SAWYER DOWN THERE, ISN'T IT? GET OUT OF HERE!

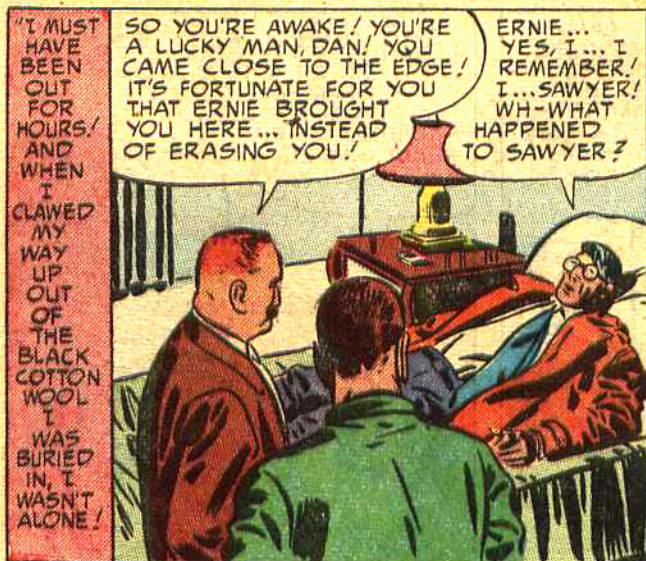
"I SAW HIM NOD TO ERNIE BEFORE HE DROVE AWAY! AND I SAW ERNIE AND THE MAN START WALKING IN SAWYER'S DIRECTION!"

DAN! WHERE ARE YOU GOING? OUR CAR IS OVER THIS WAY!

I... I WANT TO TALK TO SAWYER! YOU GO AHEAD!



NO...



OH, YES I WILL! IN FACT, I'M GOING TO HANDLE IT PERSONALLY. AND JUST IN CASE YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS, YOU AND YOUR FATHER ARE GOING ALONG. NOW GET OUT! I'LL LET YOU KNOW WHEN I NEED YOU!



"I WENT, BUT NOT HOME. I NEEDED SOLACE, COMFORT, CALL ME A COWARD, BUT I NEEDED **SOMEONE!**"

DAN, YOU ARE IN TROUBLE! I'VE KNOWN IT FOR MONTHS! THE WAY YOU ACT... WON'T YOU TELL ME WHAT'S WRONG? YOU LOOK -ILL!



I'M NOT ILL, MEG! JUST TIRED! LET ME STAY HERE WITH YOU FOR A WHILE! I FEEL SO... SAFE, HERE!



"SAFE...AND PEACEFUL! SO DIFFERENT FROM THE WORLD I HAD MOVED INTO..."

DAN, WAKE UP! YOU WERE HAVING A NIGHTMARE! YOU KEPT MUMBLING SOMETHING ABOUT MISTER CRONIN! AS IF YOU WERE AFRAID OF HIM!



NO! IT... WHY SHOULD I BE AFRAID OF CRONIN? I... I WAS JUST DREAMING! IT'S NOTHING!

"I WANTED TO TELL HER! BUT I COULDN'T! I WANTED TO KEEP HER LOVE, HER STRENGTH! AND AFTER THAT I LIVED IN A NIGHTMARE OF SICK ANTICIPATION! UNTIL THE DAY CAME!"

CRONIN, MUST DAN AND I GO ALONG WITH YOU TOMORROW? WE...WE DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT SUCH THINGS!



YOU MUST, AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO KNOW ANYTHING! I JUST WANT YOU THERE! IN CASE I'LL PICK YOU UP AT HOME AT MIDNIGHT, TOMORROW!



CHEER UP, COSTAIN! THIS IS THE END! NOW THAT WE'VE BOUGHT THE HAYES FARM, BROCTON IS OUR ONLY COMPETITION! A TOUCH OF FIRE... AND IT'S OVER! FINISHED! WE CAN RELAX! WE'LL HAVE IT ALL!



"ALL! IT WOULD BE FINISHED! I COULD GO AWAY! MEG AND I! CRONIN WOULDN'T CARE, THEN!"

MEG, I CAN'T EXPLAIN, BUT I CAN'T SEE YOU TONIGHT! I... I HAVE SOMETHING TO DO! BUT AFTER TONIGHT... EVERYTHING WILL BE ALL RIGHT! EVERYTHING!

BUT... YOU SOUND SO STRANGE! SO EXCITED! DAN, I'M WORRIED ABOUT YOU! WHAT...



"I HUNG UP! I COULDN'T TALK ANY MORE! I WAS SCARED, HAPPY, AND SICK ALL AT ONCE! IN AN HOUR IT WOULD END! THE WHOLE DIRTY MESS!"



ALL RIGHT! THAT TAKES CARE OF THE WATCHMAN! GET TO WORK!

MORA WORKED FAST! HE FOUND A LADDER, SET A FUSE!

WHAT GOOD WILL IT DO TO DESTROY ONE TANK!

THERE'S AN OUNCE OF NITRO IN A BOTTLE AT THE END OF THAT FUSE! WHEN IT GOES, BURNING OIL WILL BE ALL OVER THIS PLACE! THE WHOLE FARM WILL GO!



OKAY, BOSS! ALL SET!

NOT QUITE! PICK UP THAT WATCHMAN AND SET HIM UNDER THE TANK! THIS HAS TO LOOK LIKE AN ACCIDENT! WE CAN'T RISK ANYTHING!



OKAY, LET'S GO! WE'VE GOT TWO MINUTES TO GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE THAT FUSE REACHES THE NITRO!

"I WANTED TO GO WITH THEM! BUT I LOOKED AT THAT STILL FIGURE BY THE TANK! I LOOKED AT THE NEAT HOMES SURROUNDING THE FARM! AND I COULDN'T!"

NO SHOOTING! WE'VE GOT TO GET HIM OUT OF HERE! IF THAT TANK GOES AND THE POLICE FIND HIM THE TRAIL WILL LEAD TO US!

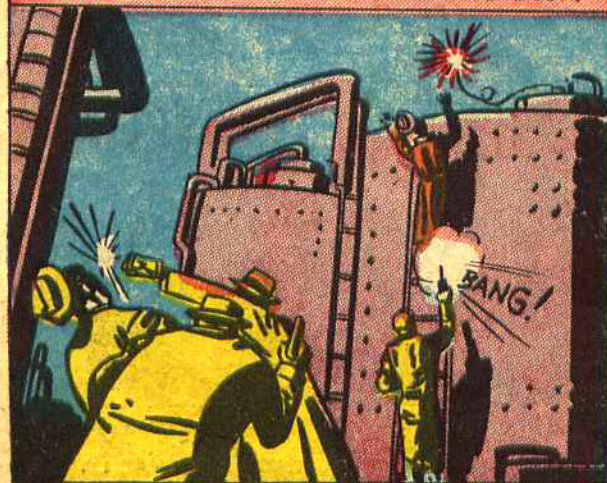


HE'S GOING FOR THE FUSE! OKAY! BLAST HIM! IF WE CAN'T TAKE HIM ALONG ALIVE, WE'LL TAKE HIM DEAD!

NO! CRONIN! NO!



"AT LEAST I HAD THAT! WHATEVER ELSE DAD WAS, HE WAS MY FATHER! HE TRIED! HE FOUGHT FOR ME! HE DELAYED THEM! BUT NOT LONG ENOUGH!"



"THAT BULLET JUST CREASED MY SCALP, AND I HEARD YELLING ..."

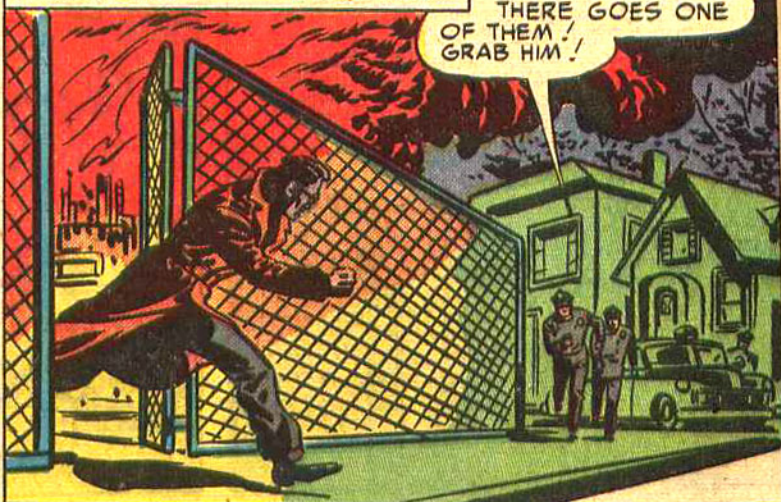
RUN, DAN! RUN!



"I RAN! I LOOKED BACK!
I SAW DAD FOR THE LAST
TIME!"



"I WASN'T HURT BY THE EXPLOSION! AND IT WAS OVER! THEY
WERE GONE! I WAS FREE! AND..."



"ANOTHER FEW SECONDS AND I'D HAVE BEEN FREE! BUT I
DIDN'T GET THOSE SECONDS! THEY HIT ME! HARD! I WENT
DOWN AND OUT! AND WHEN I CAME TO..."



TALKING... I...
MEG! HOW DID
YOU GET
HERE?"

DAN, I DIDN'T
MEAN TO CAUSE
YOU TROUBLE!
BUT TONIGHT, WHEN
YOU CALLED, YOU
SOUNDED SO STRANGE!
I WAS WORRIED FOR
YOU! I WENT TO
YOUR HOUSE, TO
TALK TO YOU!



I GOT THERE JUST IN
TIME TO SEE YOU
LEAVE WITH MISTER
CRONIN! BUT I KNEW
YOU WERE AFRAID
OF HIM! I FOLLOWED
YOU! AND I SAW
WHAT HAPPENED!
I CALLED THE
POLICE!

THERE ARE FOUR
DEAD BODIES OVER
BY THAT WRECKED
TANK, COSTAIN, MURDER
AND ARSON! DO YOU
TALK NOW, OR LATER?

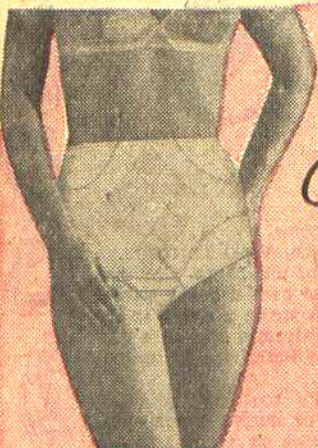


"I TALKED! AND MEG JUST LOOKED AT ME!
AS IF I WERE SOMETHING UGLY!"

NO! DON'T
TOUCH ME!



"THEN SHE WAS GONE! AND I WAS ALONE!
COWARDS ARE ALWAYS ALONE... AS I'LL
BE WHEN I WALK THROUGH THAT LITTLE
DOOR, TO THE CHAIR!"



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CLOSEUPS

STEVE SEYKOFF, 52, a gardener of North Hollywood, had it all figured out. He took a roll of wire from the yard of Robert A. Henry, 13151 Moorpark Street when he thought nobody was looking. But, as usual there was a witness, Melvin Schuster, and out of the corner of his eye Seykoff saw Schuster write down something on a piece of paper. On his way home it suddenly dawned on Seykoff that Schuster must have been jotting down his auto license number.



Then Seykoff had another "brilliant" idea. He went to the police with a tale that his auto plates had been stolen and from the Motor Vehicle Department he secured new license plates with new numbers. Now, thought Seykoff, I have outsmarted them all. But when Schuster reported the theft and the old license numbers, the police became suspicious and arrested Seykoff, who, under grilling, confessed to everything.

GOT GREEDY

Pasadena police say that Timothy D. Navarez has decided that everything that glitters in the movies isn't gold. Timothy was fascinated by a shoplifting device he saw in a story on the screen. He sat through the film three times, then went home and made what he thought was an exact duplicate or a reasonable facsimile thereof. Timothy could hardly wait to try out his gadget. And he must have felt he had hit upon a new way to get rich without working. But in an auto parked around the corner from the store where he was arrested, the police found a young warehouse of merchandise, stolen by Timothy, who had made hay until success went to his head as it always does. Not content with small items, Navarez walked off with a miniature wading pool which caught the eye of the police.

TEAMWORK

Split second timing between a nurse and a cop saved three or more lives in Nebraska recently. Moses Gatson at the early age of 36 was already tired of it all. He phoned a reporter on the Omaha World-Herald that he was committing suicide by

turning on the gas in his home.

When the police got there, Vicki Fairchild, a nurse, was in the crowd of onlookers. One man had tried to enter, but had beat a hasty retreat when Gatson threatened to strike a match in the gas-filled kitchen. Miss Fairchild opened a door with a skeleton key while Patrolman Elmer Deman stole in the back way.

Despite Miss Fairchild's soothing talk, Gatson, with the guilty look of murder in his eyes, kept trying to strike a match on a glass in his hand. Deman, tiptoeing from behind, suddenly leaped upon the back of Gatson and imprisoned his arms just in the nick of time.

TOO MUCH CUPID

It cost Andres J. Alba five bucks in Glendale the other day to find out that 10 o'clock in the morning at a busy street intersection is not the proper environment in which to entertain Cupid.

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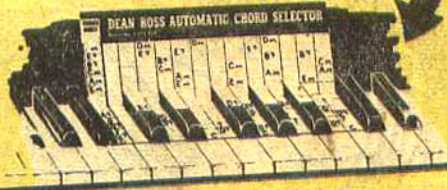
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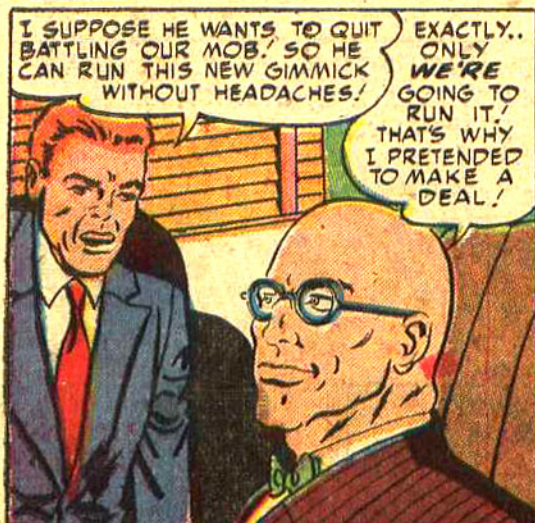
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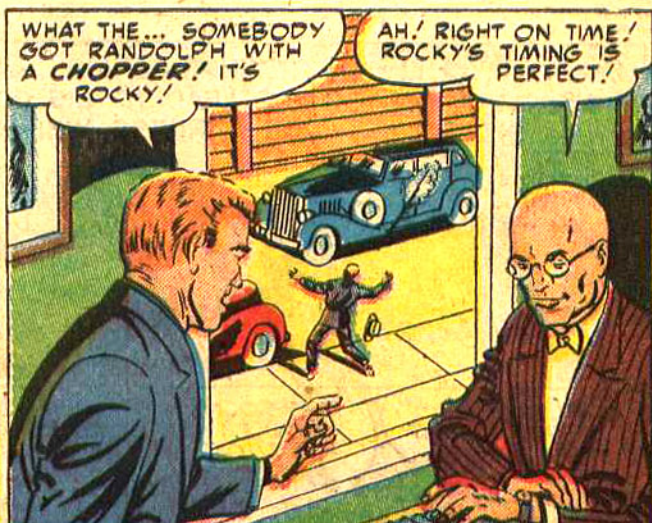
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I SUPPOSE HE WANTS TO QUIT BATTLING OUR MOB, SO HE CAN RUN THIS NEW GIMMICK WITHOUT HEADACHES!

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WHAT THE... SOMEBODY GOT RANDOLPH WITH A **CHOPPER!** IT'S ROCKY!

AH! RIGHT ON TIME! ROCKY'S TIMING IS PERFECT!

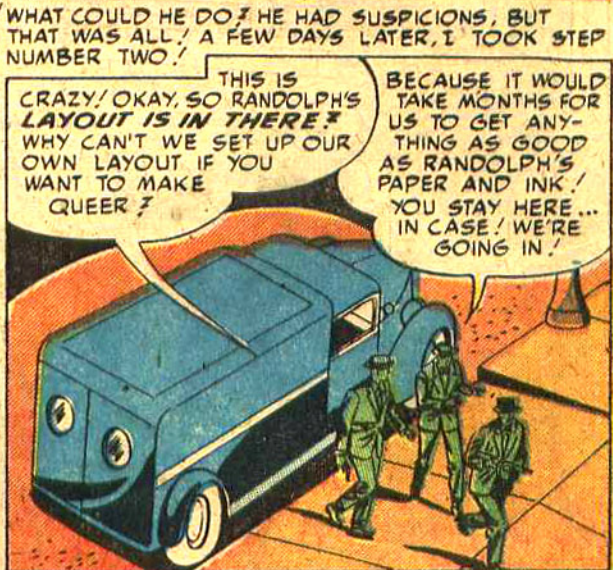


I HAD IT ALL FIGURED, OF COURSE! INCLUDING THE POLICE! I WAS READY FOR THEM!

SO YOU'VE ALL BEEN RIGHT HERE, PLAYING CARDS, FOR TWO HOURS! YOU, TOO, ROCKY? OR HAVE YOU BEEN OUT PLAYING WITH A TOMMY GUN?

NOW IS THAT NICE, COPPER? WHY WOULD I WANT TO RUB OUT PUG RANDOLPH?

REALLY, SERGEANT DOLAN! I DO WISH YOU WOULD GO AWAY! YOU'RE INTERRUPTING OUR GAME!



WHAT COULD HE DO? HE HAD SUSPICIONS, BUT THAT WAS ALL! A FEW DAYS LATER, I TOOK STEP NUMBER TWO!

THIS IS CRAZY! OKAY, SO RANDOLPH'S **LAYOUT IS IN THERE?** WHY CAN'T WE SET UP OUR OWN LAYOUT IF YOU WANT TO MAKE QUEER?

BECAUSE IT WOULD TAKE MONTHS FOR US TO GET ANYTHING AS GOOD AS RANDOLPH'S PAPER AND INK! YOU STAY HERE... IN CASE WE'RE GOING IN!



IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN EASY, BUT ROCKY ALWAYS WAS CLUMSY!

YOU FOOL! THAT'LL BRING RANDOLPH'S MOB OUT HERE!

WHAT THE... MART LEWIS! GET HIM!



BUT THEY DIDN'T GET ME, IT WAS THE OTHER WAY AROUND!

MART! THEY GOT ROCKY!

AND WE GOT THEM! I'LL LOOK AFTER HIM! GET THAT PAPER AND INK! I'LL BE IN THE OFFICE!



WE'RE LUCKY THERE WERE ONLY TWO OF RANDOLPH'S BOYS HERE! HOW BAD ARE YOU HIT?

MY...SIDE! I CAN'T MOVE MY LEGS! YOU.. YOU'VE GOT TO GET ME OUT OF HERE!



MART, YOU...
YOU'RE A
GOOD GUY!
THANKS FOR
GETTING...
ME OUT!
I... MART!
WH-WHY...
THE GUN?

EFFICIENCY.
ROCKY! WE
WENT TO A LOT
OF TROUBLE
TO GET THIS
STUFF! IT WOULD
BE A SHAME TO
LOSE IT NOW...
BECAUSE OF
YOU!



I'VE ALWAYS KEPT A
STEP AHEAD OF THE
POLICE, ROCKY! BY BEING
EFFICIENT! YOU'LL NEED
A DOCTOR AND THAT
MIGHT GIVE THE POLICE
A LEAD! SO...

"DON'T MISUNDERSTAND! I HAD NOTHING
AGAINST ROCKY! BUT THE WAY I HAD
THINGS SET UP I'D HAVE HAD TO
GET RID OF HIM EVENTUALLY ANYWAY!"



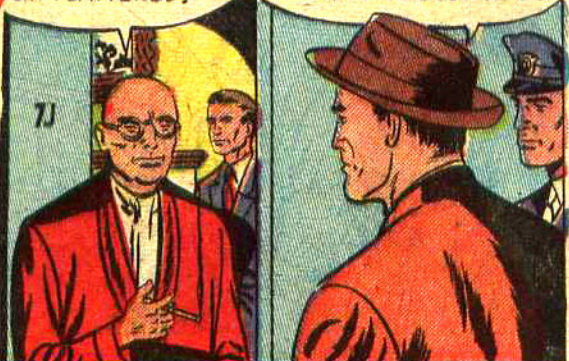
NOW
WHAT?

NOW WE DROP THIS
STUFF AT THE SHACK
AND GET BACK TO
TOWN, FAST!

"WE GOT TO MY APARTMENT JUST BEFORE
THE POLICE DID!"

YES? WELL,
SERGEANT DOLAN!
VISITING SO LATE
AT NIGHT, SERGEANT?
I'M FLATTERED!

LEWIS, SOMEBODY
KNOCKED OFF TWO OF
PUG RANDOLPH'S BOYS
TONIGHT! BUT YOU
WOULDN'T KNOW ABOUT
THAT, WOULD YOU!



"POOR DOLAN! WE SPENT HALF AN HOUR TOGETHER!
I ENJOYED IT! BUT DOLAN DIDN'T!"

COME AGAIN, DOLAN!
ANY TIME! BUT NEXT
TIME... IF YOU INTEND
TO MAKE ACCUSATIONS
BRING SOME PROOF
WITH YOU, EH?

PRETTY COCKY, AREN'T
YOU, LEWIS? BUT ONE
OF THESE DAYS YOU'LL
MAKE A MISTAKE! AND
WHEN YOU DO... I'LL
BE THERE!



"PUG RANDOLPH
AND I
HAD BEEN
ENEMIES
FOR
YEARS!
THE COPS
KNEW
THAT!
THEY
KNEW
I WAS
GUILTY!
BUT,
THEY
COULDN'T
PROVE A
THING!
THAT'S
EFFICIENCY!
SO,
NEXT
DAY..."

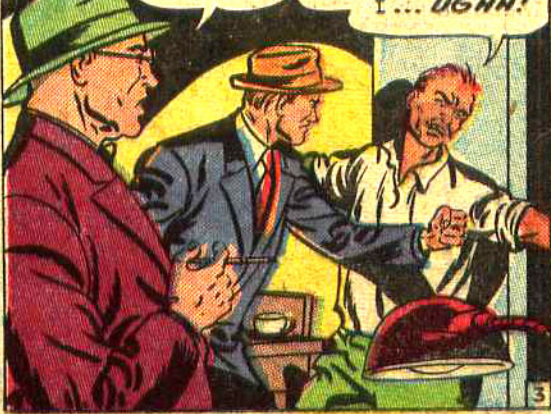
YOU... YOU'RE
MART LEWIS,
AREN'T YOU?
YOU... WHAT
DO YOU
WANT?

YES, I'M MART LEWIS,
RICHARDS! AND THE
ANSWER TO YOUR
SECOND QUESTION
IS... **I WANT YOU!**



I'VE SEEN YOUR WORK,
RICHARDS! SO... YOU'RE
GOING TO MAKE PLATES
FOR ME! **PERFECT
PLATES,**
RICHARDS!

NO! SOME OF
RANDOLPH'S BOYS
ARE STILL AROUND!
THEY... THEY'D KILL
ME IF I WENT TO
WORK FOR YOU!
I... **UGH!!**





THE BOSS SAID YOU WERE GOING TO ENGRAVE SOME PLATES FOR US! I WOULDN'T ARGUE!

SIT DOWN AND WRITE A NOTE, RICHARDS, TO YOUR LANDLADY, SAYING YOU'RE GOING ON A LITTLE TRIP! WE WOULDN'T WANT ANY ONE TO MISS YOU!

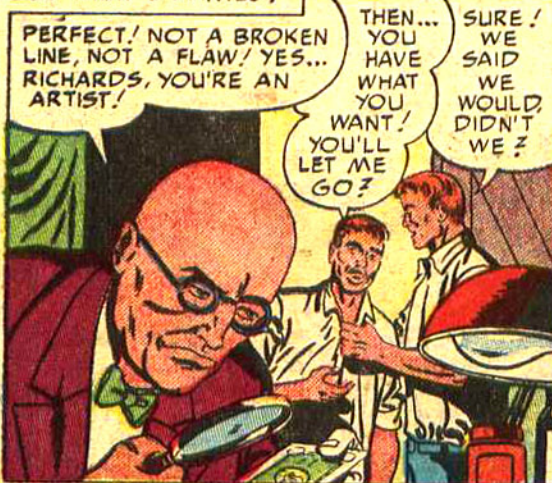
I HAD IT ALL! RANDOLPH'S INK, HIS PAPER... AND HIS ENGRAVER! I WAS SET! BUT RICHARDS HAD TO BE ENCOURAGED A BIT!

NO...DON'T... DON'T HIT ME... ANY MORE...

THAT'S UP TO YOU, RICHARDS! THESE PLATES YOU MADE FOR ME ARE **VERY** BAD! AND I TOLD YOU I WANT **PERFECT** PLATES, DIDN'T I?



EVERYTHING PERFECT! THAT'S HOW I BELIEVE IN DOING THINGS! IT TOOK TIME... BUT I GOT WHAT I WANTED!



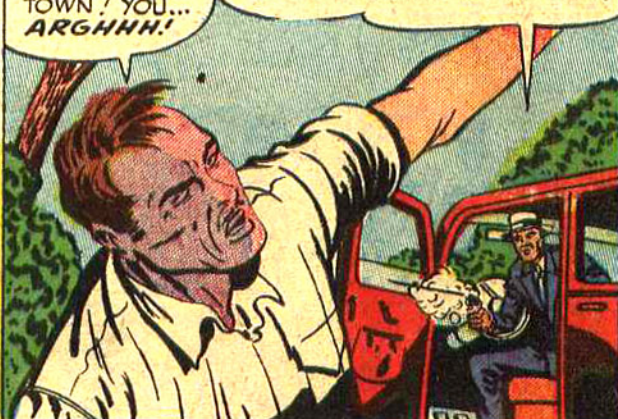
PERFECT! NOT A BROKEN LINE, NOT A FLAW! YES... RICHARDS, YOU'RE AN ARTIST!

THEN... YOU HAVE WHAT YOU WANT! YOU'LL LET ME GO?

SURE! WE SAID WE WOULD, DIDN'T WE?

NO... YOU... YOU PROMISED! YOU SAID YOU WERE TAKING ME BACK TO TOWN! YOU... **ARGHHH!**

SORRY, PAL, BUT MART'S THE CAREFUL TYPE! HE DOESN'T LIKE LEAVING LOOSE ENDS! ESPECIALLY A LOOSE END THAT MIGHT SQUAWK TO THE COPS!



AFTER THAT, WE WORKED FOR DAYS! AND WHEN I HAD ENOUGH, I MOVED ON TO THE NEXT STEP!



A HUNDRED GRAND! AND EVERY BILL PERFECT! IT'S LIKE FINDING A KEY TO THE MINT! THESE THINGS WOULD GET BY ANY BANK TELLER IN THE COUNTRY!

NONE OF THESE BILLS GETS PASSED UNTIL I SAY SO! YOU TWO GET SOME SLEEP! I WANT TO TALK TO SLIP!

LOOK AT IT! PRETTY, ISN'T IT, SLIP? ALL THAT MONEY! IT SEEMS A **SHAME** THAT WE'VE GOT TO SPLIT FOUR WAYS!



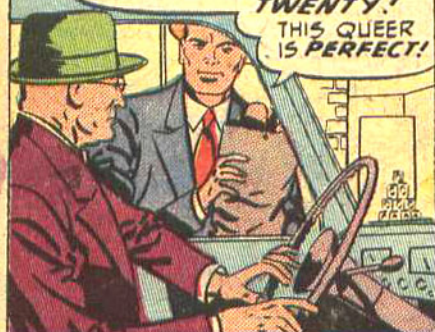
YEAH! BUT... WHY DOES IT HAVE TO BE FOUR WAYS?

I STILL NEEDED SLIP, BUT I DIDN'T NEED THE OTHERS! SLIP AND I UNDERSTOOD EACH OTHER...



"WE TOOK THE MONEY, THE PAPER AND THE INK. THE REST WE LEFT FOR THE POLICE. THERE WAS NO WAY TO TIE US UP WITH IT, AND SLIP PASSED THE FIRST BILL!"

WELL? A CINCH! I BOUGHT TWO BUCKS WORTH OF GROCERIES AND THE CASHIER NEVER EVEN BLINKED WHEN I GAVE HER A **PHONEY TWENTY!** THIS QUEER IS PERFECT!



"I LET HIM PASS A DOZEN OF THE BILLS. WHY SHOULD I RISK MY NECK?"

ALL RIGHT! IS THIS ALL OF IT? REAL CASH AND QUEER?

SURE! YOU DON'T THINK I'D HOLD OUT ON YOU, DO YOU? WE'RE PARTNERS NOW, AREN'T WE?



"PARTNER? A COUPLE OF KNOCKOUT DROPS TOOK CARE OF THAT!"

THANKS FOR THE HELP, SLIP! I'LL BE THINKING OF YOU, WHILE I'M ENJOYING ALL THAT CASH!



SURE! THAT HAD BEEN MY IDEA ALL ALONG. WHAT DID I NEED A MOB FOR NOW? WHAT WAS THE TAKE FROM A MEASLY FEW STICKUPS WHEN I HAD MY OWN MINT. THE WORLD WAS MY OYSTER!



FIVE THOUSAND? I'LL TAKE IT!

I'LL TAKE SIX DIFFERENT COLORS!

OKAY! SOLD!

"I HAD A WEEK OF THAT, THEN I HEADED WEST! I ALWAYS HAD WANTED TO SEE CALIFORNIA! AND I DID! THE TROUBLE WAS, I DIDN'T SEE IT FOR LONG!"

THERE YOU ARE, SON! KEEP THE CHANGE!

A TWENTY! G-GOSH! THANKS, MISTER!

WE'LL TAKE THAT TWENTY, SONNY!



DOLAN!

HELLO, LEWIS! NICE SUN TAN. YOU PICKED UP! TOO BAD YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO KEEP IT! THEY TELL ME SUN TAN FADES FAST IN THE PEN! REACH!



DISAPPOINTED AT NOT FINDING A GUN, SERGEANT? OR DO YOU EXPECT TO FIND SOME SORT OF EVIDENCE AGAINST ME HIDDEN IN MY WALLET?

I'D SAY SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS IN COUNTERFEIT MONEY WAS EVIDENCE, LEWIS! AND DON'T WORRY ABOUT YOUR GUN! WE FOUND IT IN YOUR HOTEL ROOM!





"BUT THEN, ALL OF A SUDDEN, I REALIZED WHAT ELSE DOLAN HAD SAID! COUNTERFEIT!"

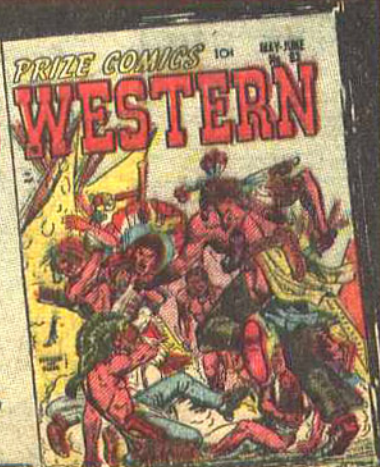


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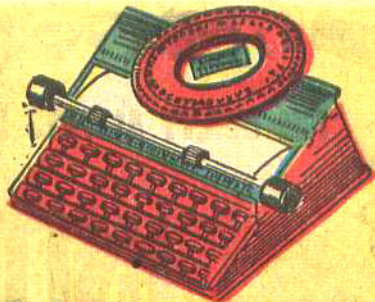
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THE GUILTY ALWAYS LEAVE A CLUE...

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NEARLY everybody in the booming Texas metropolis of Houston is proud of the famous university known as Rice Institute. But comparatively few know that the eccentric oil millionaire, William Marsh Rice, who endowed the college, was brutally murdered in a far off New York apartment house in an almost "perfect crime" plot. Only that inevitable little clue that the guilty always leave behind caused the slip-up.

William Marsh Rice, since the death of his wife in Texas, herself a multi-millionaire, had moved his residence to New York, where he lived alone, that is, save for the company of his butler, Eliot Clancy, who acted as his valet and furnished eyes and ears to the 84 year old hermit.

Rice had made his pile the hard way and was still a tough, sly, wiry little man, skinning a man for a dime with one hand and endowing colleges with million dollar grants with the other hand. He had no heirs, but his wife had relatives, who hired Houston lawyers to get for them the $\frac{2}{3}$ million dollars of the wife's estate. Under Texas law Rice was entitled to one-half of his wife's community property, IF, and it was a big IF, Rice still had his legal residence in Texas, but if he had really moved permanently to New York then the relatives stood to inherit the full $\frac{2}{3}$ millions of the wife's estate. The Houston attorneys wrote to a New York lawyer to investigate. And it was here that the shyster, Martin Moroney entered the picture.

Moroney was a New York ambulance chaser and worse. The thought of getting a big fat fee made him dizzy. He lost no time in visiting Rice, who, when he found out what Moroney wanted to know, called him a crook and ordered him out of the house.

Moroney stood dazed in front of the luxurious apartment house. He had been called a crook before, but there had never been so much at stake. Suddenly, the door of the apartment house opened and the butler, Eliot Clancy, came out with his hat on to go on an errand. He assured Moroney that Rice was an old eccentric and meant no harm. The two of them walked down the street together and went into a neighborhood saloon for a beer or two.

Clancy became talkative and told the now

sympathetic Moroney what a stingy old skinflint his employer was to pay him a paltry \$8 a week and him worth millions. Moroney assured him that something would be done about that. And the two put their heads together. It was from this point that the plot began to curdle.

It was no more than common justice, they thought, to get out of the mean old tightwad all the money they could. Clancy was in the habit of making out checks and bringing them to Rice for his signature. Moroney got Clancy to make out a check and then Moroney traced Rice's signature on the check and Clancy put it through the bank as a test forgery. It passed without question.

Now the vista widened and the future looked exceedingly fair for Moroney and Clancy. Moroney made out a new will, leaving all the Rice millions to Moroney, and he forged Rice's signature to the will and got Clancy and another bum to witness it, promising Clancy a big slice as soon as the will was probated. Moroney composed beautiful letters from Rice to Moroney thanking him for his friendship in Rice's lonely old age.

Everything was set now, except the death of Rice. Moroney decided that he should be chloroformed in his sleep and that Clancy was just the man for the job. But, before pulling it off, a codicil must be added to the will requesting that the body be immediately cremated so that there would be no autopsy to reveal chloroform. One other matter: Clancy was instructed to make out several checks all dated before the murder withdrawing several hundred thousand dollars from Rice's bank accounts. This was done and the next night Rice was done to death in his sleep. But both Clancy and Moroney were a little nervous and neither noticed that Clancy had spelled the first name of the payee on the checks "Martin" instead of "Martin."

The checks were presented to be certified, but the mistake in spelling aroused the bank's suspicions. A detective was called in. A handwriting expert testified that all the signatures on the will and the checks were exactly the same, something that does not happen in life, but only when one signature is traced. The detective refused to let the body be cremated. An autopsy followed and revealed chloroformed death. Clancy blamed it all on Moroney who blamed it all on Clancy. Both were held for murder. Tcht, tcht, tcht, that such a little thing as a letter missing in a name should cause the total collapse of so big a plot. But that's the way it always is.

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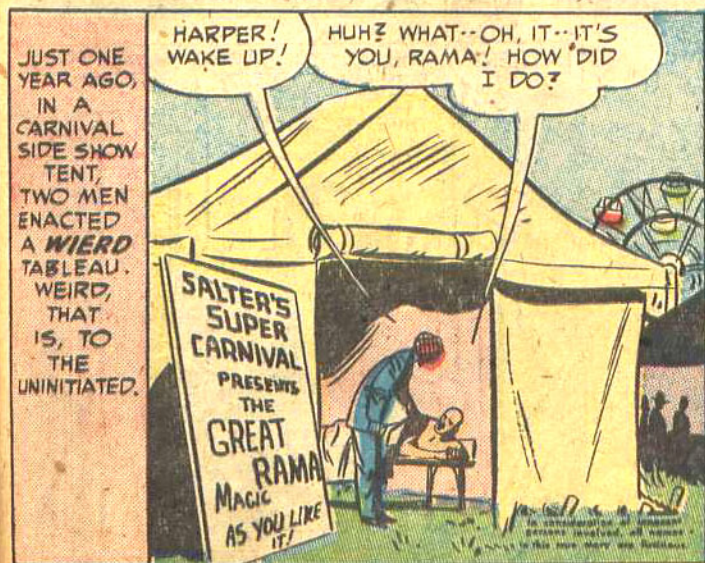
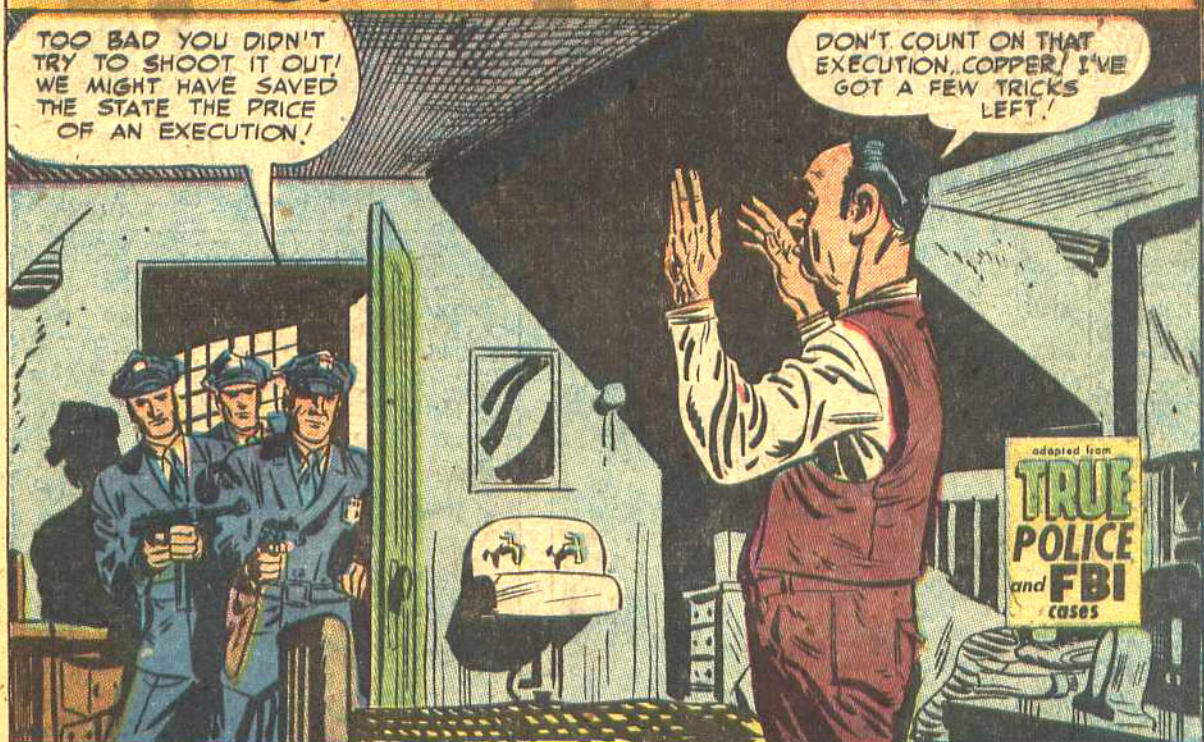
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FOR TWO YEARS PHIL HARPER HAD BEEN THE GREAT RAMA'S ASSISTANT... AND HIS PUPIL! TWO LONG, FEARFUL, HAUNTED YEARS! BUT NOW HE SMILED!

YES, ANY TIME! YOU HAVE LEARNED WELL! BUT YOU MUST BE CAREFUL! THIS SKILL YOU HAVE LEARNED IS NOT TO BE USED LIGHTLY!

I'M ALWAYS CAREFUL, RAMA!

HE SMILED... BUT THE GREAT RAMA DID NOT SEE THAT SMILE! NOT THEN, HE SAW IT LATER, IN TOWN...

WHAT... HARPER! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? THAT GUN... WHAT ARE YOU...

LIKE I SAID... I'M ALWAYS CAREFUL, RAMA! AND ONLY YOU AND ME KNOW ABOUT A CERTAIN STUNT I LEARNED TO DO!

BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND! I...

YOU DON'T HAVE TO UNDERSTAND! SO LONG... AND THANKS FOR EVERYTHING!

THAT NIGHT PHIL HARPER SEVERED HIS CONNECTIONS WITH SALTER'S SUPER CARNIVAL! AND SEVERAL DAYS LATER, IN A BIG CITY DIVE...

PHIL, YOU'RE CRAZY! YOU SHOULD HAVE STAYED ON THE LAM! THAT CARNIVAL WAS A PERFECT HIDEOUT! YOU'RE STILL WANTED FOR THAT COP MURDER TWO YEARS AGO! IF THE COPS SPOT YOU, YOU'LL FRY!

I WON'T FRY! YOU OUGHT TO KNOW I'M TOO SMART FOR THAT, FATS!

PHIL HARPER TALKED AND FATS DONNELLY LISTENED! AND...

SO THAT'S YOUR OUT! YOU MEAN YOU CAN GO INTO THIS TRANCE AND EVEN A DOC WOULD SAY YOU WERE DEAD!

CHECK! IF I'M EVER PICKED UP I GO INTO MY ACT! I DIE... OR THE COPS THINK I DO! THEN YOU CLAIM MY BODY... AND I COME BACK TO LIFE!

NOBODY KNOWS I CAN DO IT EXCEPT YOU! IT'S THE PERFECT GETAWAY! THEY CAN'T BURN ME! I CAN TAKE OVER THE MOB AGAIN!

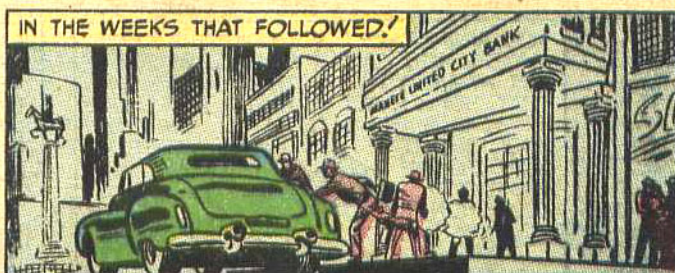
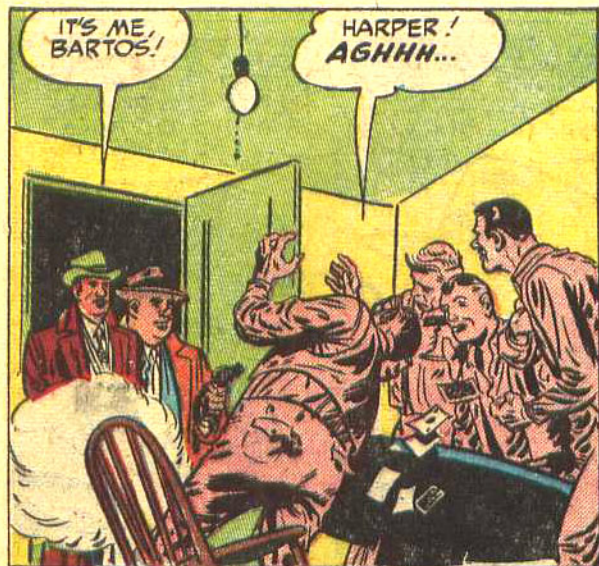
YEAH! BUT MOVIN' BACK IN AS TOP MAN MAY NOT BE SO EASY! JOE BARTOS IS BOSS NOW!

BUT PHIL HARPER WASN'T WORRIED ABOUT BARTOS! ONLY A FEW NIGHTS LATER...

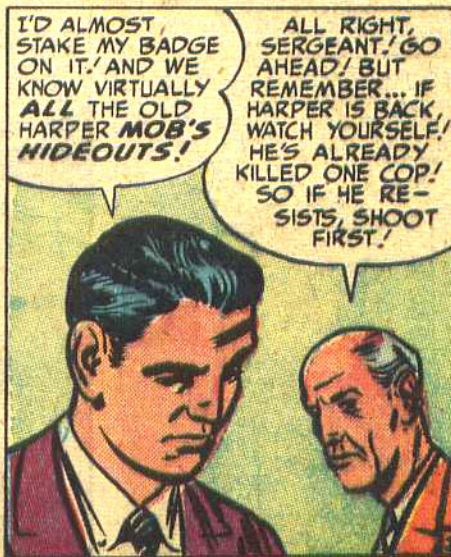
HARPER!

HELLO, STUDS! BARTOS AROUND? I'VE GOT SOMETHING FOR HIM!

WHO IS IT, STUDS?



ONCE AGAIN WITH HARPER BACK IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT, THE MOB DID OKAY! HARPER WAS SMART! BUT THEN... SO WERE THE POLICE!



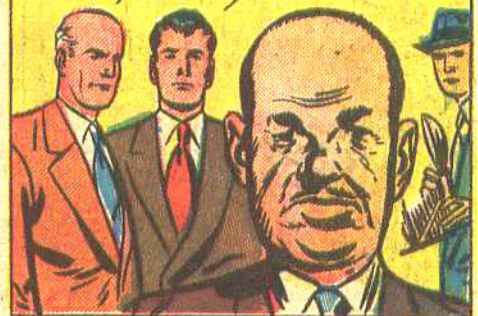
AT HIS TRIAL, PHIL HARPER TOOK FULL RESPONSIBILITY! HIS CONFESSION FULLY CLEARED THE MEN SUSPECTED OF WORKING WITH HIM!

GUILTY! SO YOU DIDN'T THINK YOU WERE GOING TO BURN, EH, HARPER? OFFHAND I'D SAY YOU THOUGHT WRONG!

YEAH, IT LOOKS THAT WAY DOESN'T IT, COPPER? BUT... YOU NEVER CAN TELL!

FUNNY! THAT HOODLUM'S YELLOW CLEAN THROUGH! THEY ALL ARE! AND YET HE DOESN'T EVEN SEEM WORRIED!

BRAVADO, INSPECTOR! EVERY CRIMINAL TRIES TO ACT TOUGH! HE'LL CRACK! WHEN HE GOES TO THE CHAIR! THEY ALL DO!



BUT THE SERGEANT WAS WRONG! AS HE HAD PLANNED, PHIL HARPER WAS NEVER TO GO TO THE CHAIR! WEEKS LATER, IN DEATH ROW AT THE STATE PRISON...

OKAY, HARPER! IT'S TIME... WHA... WARDEN, HE... I DON'T THINK HE'S BREATHING!

NOT... AND THE EXECUTION SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE IN TEN MINUTES! GET THE DOCTOR, QUICKLY!

NO PULSE, NO HEARTBEAT! HE COMPLAINED OF PAINS IN THE HEART WHEN I EXAMINED HIM THIS MORNING, BUT MY EXAMINATION SHOWED NOTHING! YET... THIS MAN IS DEAD, WARDEN!

DEAD! SO HE SUCCEEDED IN HIS BOAST AFTER ALL! HE DIDN'T BURN!



THE NEXT MORNING...



HE DID IT!

AMONG CRIMINALS, THERE IS NO LOYALTY!

IT WAS NOT LOYALTY WHICH TOOK FATS DONNELLY TO THE STATE PENITENTIARY SOME DAYS LATER...

I TELL YOU WE'RE CRAZY COMING HERE! WE'LL NEVER GET AWAY WITH IT!

WE'LL GET AWAY WITH IT ALL RIGHT! I'VE GOT THE PAPERS! WE'RE GETTING HARPER! ANYBODY WHO IS SMART ENOUGH TO PULL A STUNT LIKE THIS CAN LEAD US TO PLENTY!



AND MINUTES LATER...

YOU'LL FIND THOSE IN PERFECT ORDER! HAPPER'S WILL... AND AN OKAY FROM THE PRISON BOARD FOR ME TO TAKE HIS BODY! WE WERE FRIENDS!

I SEE! YES, APPARENTLY HE DID DESIGNATE YOU TO SEE THAT HE GOT A DECENT BURIAL, MR. DONNELLY!



IF YOU'LL GIVE THE WORD AT THE GATE, WARDEN, I'LL DRIVE THE HEARSE IN HERE!

HEARSE? YOU BROUGHT A HEARSE? THEN THE PRISON BOARD **DIDN'T TELL YOU!** BUT I THOUGHT YOU KNEW!

KNEW? KNEW WHAT?



WHY, ABOUT HARPER! I TOOK IT FOR GRANTED THAT YOU UNDERSTOOD! JOHNSON, THESE GENTLEMEN HAVE COME FOR HARPER! WILL YOU BRING HIM OUT?

YES, SIR!



IT WAS WHILE THE GUARD WAS GONE THAT THE WARDEN EXPLAINED! HE MUST HAVE WONDERED AT THE SUDDEN SICK, STUPID EX-PRESSION ON FAT'S FACE!

YOU SEE, GENTLEMEN, YOU DELAYED TOO LONG! WE KNEW HARPER HAD NO FRIENDS, NO FAMILY! WE WERE CERTAIN HIS BODY WOULD REMAIN UNCLAIMED! AND IN THIS STATE, WHEN A CONVICT'S BODY IS UNCLAIMED... IT'S **CREMATED!**

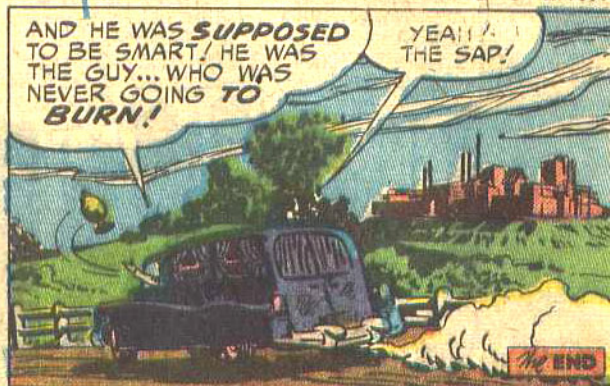
ASHES! NO...



THE TWO MEN WALKED OUT SILENTLY! IT WAS NOT UNTIL LATER, THAT THE SILENCE WAS BROKEN...

AND HE WAS **SUPPOSED** TO BE SMART! HE WAS THE GUY... WHO WAS NEVER GOING TO **BURN!**

YEAH! THE SAP!



IT WAS ONLY A FEW WEEKS LATER, IN A RUNNING BATTLE WITH THE POLICE, THAT THE MOB OF PHIL HARPER WAS EXTERMINATED! TOO LATE THEY LEARNED AS HARPER HAD THAT... THERE IS NO ESCAPE FROM JUSTICE!

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JEB! JEB! YOU WORTHLESS, SHIFTLESS ... GIT THOSE SLOPS OUT HERE! THESE PIGS ARE HUNGRY!

I'M COMIN', AIN'T I? PIGS! I HATE THE SIGHT OF 'EM. YOU TREAT THEM BETTER 'N YOU TREAT ME!



AND IT AIN'T RIGHT YOU ORDERIN' ME AROUND! NOT WHEN HALF THIS PLACE IS MINE BY RIGHT! NOT... AH!

THERE AIN'T NOTHIN' HERE THAT'S YOURS! YOU LIVE ON MY CHARITY! SO YOU'LL DO LIKE I SAY... OR GIT OUT!



adapted from
**TRUE
POLICE
and FBI
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In consideration of innocent persons involved, all names in this true story are fictitious.

"ALL MY LIFE IT HAD BEEN LIKE THAT. DO YOU WONDER THAT I WENT TO THE SHERIFF LIKE I'D DONE SO OFTEN BEFORE?"

NOW, JEB, I'VE TOLD YOU BEFORE! THAT PIG FARM AIN'T YOURS. IT BELONGS TO YOUR UNCLE SILAS! WHY DON'T YOU FORGET IT? THE WAY THINGS WORKED OUT...

THINGS DIDN'T JUST WORK OUT! UNCLE SILAS WORKED THEM OUT! HE MURDERED MY PA!

YOUR PA DISAPPEARED! SO BY THE TERMS OF THEIR AGREEMENT HIS SHARE OF THE FARM WENT TO HIS BROTHER SILAS!

SURE! ONCE PA WAS LEGALLY DEAD! AFTER SEVEN YEARS! I KNOW! BUT UNCLE SILAS KILLED HIM! FOR THE GOLD COINS PA HAD SAVED UP!

JEB, YOUR PA WAS A TIGHT-FISTED MAN... AND WHEN YOU WERE BORN AND YOUR MA DIED HE JUST TOOK OFF! WITH HIS GOLD! NOBODY EVER PROVED DIFFERENT!

YOU'RE JUST LIKE SILAS, JEB! MEAN... AND GREEDY! ONLY DIFFERENCE IS YOU AIN'T GOT HIS GUMPTION!

ONCE AND FOR ALL, JEB! SILAS PARKER IS A MISER! HE'S MEAN AND ORNERY AND COLD AS A SNAKE BUT THERE AIN'T NO CHARGES AGAINST HIM!

I STILL SAY HALF THAT FARM IS MINE! I GOT A RIGHT TO A LITTLE MONEY OF MY OWN!

THEN GO GIT IT! ONLY DON'T EXPECT THE LAW TO GIT IT FOR YOU!

"WHY SHOULDN'T I BE MEAN! I HAD NOTHIN'. IT WASN'T MY FAULT I DID WHAT I DID A COUPLE OF WEEKS LATER! I WANTED THINGS! THAT'S HUMAN, AIN'T IT?"

MORNIN', JEB! UP REAL EARLY, AIN'T YOU? WHAT'LL IT BE? YOUR UNCLE SILAS RUN OUT OF FLOUR AGAIN?

YEAH, ...YEAH! FLOUR! I... I'LL GO OUT BACK WITH YOU AND PICK UP A SACK!

WHAT'LL IT BE? FIFTY POUNDS OR A HUNDRED?

NEITHER! IT...IT AIN'T FLOUR I CAME FOR, WALKER!

ARGHH! I GOT NOTHIN' AGAINST YOU WALKER! BUT I WANT THINGS! AND I INTEND TO GET 'EM!



SHERIFF DOUGLAS!
WELL! AND
PHILLIPS
AND
GARDINER
AND...

THIS HERE
IS A POSSE,
SILAS! FRED CLAYTON
WAS MURDERED TONIGHT!
JUST LIKE WALKER!

MURDERED!
THAT...THAT'S
TOO BAD!
BUT... WHAT
HAS THAT
GOT TO DO
WITH US?

THE KILLER WAS
SEEN LEAVIN'
CLAYTON'S BACK
DOOR! BY TWO
PEOPLE! THEY
SAY... IT LOOKED
LIKE YOU!

LIKE...THAT'S
A LIE! I...I'VE
BEEN HERE ALL
EVENING!

THAT'S
RIGHT,
SHERIFF!
HE AIN'T
SEEN OUT!

YOU'LL
SWEAR
PARKER?

SURE! THEM WITNESSES WAS
WRONG! AND I'LL SAY SO IN
TO THAT, OPEN COURT IF I HAVE TO!

"THEY BELIEVED HIM! BUT THE WAY HE SMILED AT ME!
LIKE HE WAS SAYIN'... NOW I'VE GOT YOU!"

ALL RIGHT, I GUESS THAT DOES IT!
WITNESSES! BAH! YOU CAN NEVER
TRUST 'EM TO KNOW WHAT THEY SAW!

I'LL BE ALONG
LATER, SHERIFF!
I'VE GOT A LITTLE
BUSINESS TO TALK
OVER WITH
PARKER!

YOU WANT
ANYTHIN'
SPECIAL,
GARDINER? IT'S
LATE! TIME FOR
DECENT FOLKS
TO BE GETTING
TO BED!

SILAS, I'M PRETTY
WELL OUT O' PORK
DOWN AT MY
SLAUGHTERHOUSE!
I'LL BUY THE
LOT OF YOURS!
HOW MUCH?

"UNCLE SILAS... HE WASN'T HUMAN!
HE SAT THERE WITH BLOOD
MONEY IN HIS POCKET AND
HAGGLED OVER PIGS FOR AN HOUR!"

YOU DRIVE A
HARD BARGAIN,
SILAS, BUT... IT'S
A DEAL! I'LL
PICK UP THEM
PORKERS IN
THE MORNING!

BRING CASH!
I LIKE THE
FEEL OF
REAL MONEY.
NONE OF
THESE CHECKS
FOR SILAS
PARKER!

YOU... YOU AND
YOUR... PIGS! T...I
CAN'T STAND
ANY MORE! I'M
GOING AFTER
THE SHERIFF!
I'M GOIN' TO
TELL THE
TRUTH!

AND HANG?
NOT YOU!
YOU'LL STAY
RIGHT HERE!
JUST AS LONG
AS I WANT
YOU TO! NOW
GIT TO BED!

"I WAS FREE! FREE AND RICH! IT WAS LIKE A DREAM COME TRUE! I TOOK MY TIME ABOUT LEAVIN'!"

SHERIFF... WHAT...BRINGS YOU BACK! NOT... MORE QUESTIONS!

IT'S SILAS I WANT, THIS TIME, BUT GARDINER TELLS ME HE AIN'T HERE, SO YOU'LL DO! SHOW HIM, GARDINER!

SURE!

WHY...IT'S A GOLD PIECE! A TWENTY DOLLAR GOLD PIECE!

I FOUND IT INSIDE ONE O' THOSE PIGS I BOUGHT FROM SILAS, WHILE BUTCHERIN' 'IM. IT SET ME THIN'KIN'! ABOUT THEM OLD STORIES!

THE STORIES SAY SILAS PARKER MURDERED YOUR PA FOR GOLD COINS, JUST LIKE THIS ONE! SO I FIGURED I'D HAVE A LOOK AROUND!

BUT...THAT'S CRAZY! THERE'S NO GOLD IN THE HOUSE! I KNOW! I... YOU WON'T FIND ANYTHING!

I WASN'T THIN'KIN' OF THE HOUSE! WE AIM TO DO SOME DIGGIN' IN THAT PIGPEN! WHERE THE PIG MUST 'VE ROOTED UP THAT COIN!

NO! YOU... YOU CAN'T! I WON'T LET YOU!

YOU'RE THE ONE WHO ALWAYS CLAIMED SILAS MURDERED YOUR PA! YOU OUGHT TO BE HAPPY THAT WE FOUND A CLUE! WE'RE DIGGIN'!

HE'S HEADIN' FOR THAT SHOTGUN. GRAB HIM!

NO!

"THOSE HANDS! THEY HELD ME LIKE STEEL CORDS!"

CRAZY AS A LOON! RECKON THAT'S WHAT COMES OF BEIN' SCARED! RELAX, JEB! IF WE DON'T FIND ANYTHING, I'LL SEE TO IT THAT SILAS DOESN'T BLAME YOU FOR THIS!

BLAME! YOU THINK I CARE ABOUT THAT! YOU...YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND! YOU...YOU MUSTN'T DIG!

"BUT, THEY WENT...AND I WAITED!"

SIMMER DOWN, JEB! YOU WANTED IT THIS WAY, DIDN'T YOU! YOU...

SHERIFF! YOU... YOU FOUND HIM! I CAN SEE IT IN YOUR FACE!

YES, WE FOUND HIM, JEB. THREE FEET DOWN IN THE MUD!



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this big 15"
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as Roger
just did

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off. A few weeks
after starting the
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was the best in the
neighborhood. Now I
get respect and ad-
miration from every
fellow and girl I meet.

Roger D. Hirsch

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HIRSCH**

was an
112 lb.
6 ft.
weakling
LOOK
AT HIM
NOW!



Aren't **YOU** as **SICK** and Tired as I was
of being **SKINNY** ?
CHICKEN-CHESTED
SPINDLE-ARMED
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SHORT-WINDED
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JEERED, BULLIED

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skinny scarecrow
ROGER. Let's
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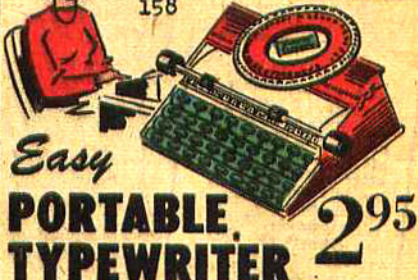
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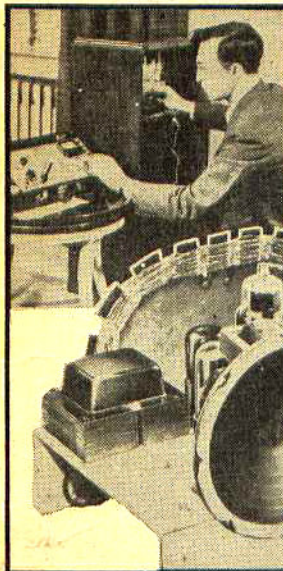
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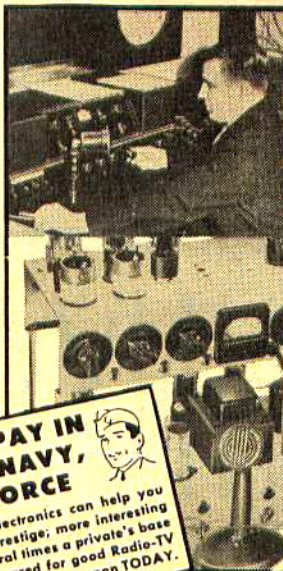


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